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PRICES UP FROM PREVIOUS MONTH

SIOUX FALLS, November 30, 2009 -- Preliminary November crop prices were up from October with the exception of sunflowers, according to the South Dakota Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Preliminary prices for livestock were up with the exception of cows.

For November, the preliminary winter wheat price, at \$4.62, was up 28 cents from last month but down \$1.07 from last November. The spring wheat price, at \$5.61, was 38 cents higher than last month but \$1.36 lower than last year. The November soybean price, at \$9.05, was 7 cents higher than last month but 9 cents lower than last year. The corn price, at \$3.36, was up 13 cents from last month but down 65 cents from last year. The preliminary all sunflower price, at \$12.90, was down \$1.10 from last month and down \$9.20 from last year.

The preliminary November barrow and gilt price, at \$41.60, was up \$2.40 from last month and up 40 cents from last year, while sows, at \$33.90, were up \$7.50 from October but down 20 cents from November 2008.

The preliminary November steer and heifer price, at \$91.30, was up \$3.90 from October but down \$5.70 from November of last year. Calves, at \$107.00, were up \$1.00 from last month and up \$1.00 from November 2008.

The November alfalfa price, at \$82.00 per ton, was up \$6.00 from last month but down \$25.00 from last year. The other hay price, at \$70.00, was up \$4.00 from last month but down \$12.00 from November 2008.

Prices Received by South Dakota Farmers

Commodity	Unit	November 2008 ¹	October 2009 ¹	November 2009 ²
		Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Corn	Bu.	4.01	3.23	3.36
Soybeans	Bu.	9.14	8.98	9.05
Sunflower	Cwt.	22.10	14.00	12.90
Wheat, All	Bu.	6.51	4.71	5.03
Winter	Bu.	5.69	4.34	4.62
Other Spring	Bu.	6.97	5.23	5.61
Barley, All	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Feed	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Malt	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Oats	Bu.	2.56	1.89	2.14
Hay, All	Ton	102.00	74.00	79.00
Alfalfa	Ton	107.00	76.00	82.00
Other	Ton	82.00	66.00	70.00
Cattle, All Beef ³	Cwt.	87.70	86.60	90.40
Cows	Cwt.	45.50	47.00	45.80
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	97.00	87.40	91.30
Calves ⁴	Cwt.	106.00	106.00	107.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	40.30	37.70	40.60
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	41.20	39.20	41.60
Sows	Cwt.	34.10	26.40	33.90
Lambs	Cwt.	105.00	102.00	NA
Sheep	Cwt.	20.80	26.00	NA

¹ Entire month. ² Mid-month. ³ Over 500 lbs. ⁴ Under 500 lbs. NA = Not Available

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